

Rich Oil Fields Now in Operation Near Astoria

Right at the Mouth of the Columbia River

That OIL and natural GAS have been discovered in paying quantities across the Columbia River from Astoria at Onieda, Washington, has been important enough to a number of well-known reliable parties to cause the organization of the Pacific Coast Gas & Oil Co., with a capital stock of \$300,000. This company has just placed a number of shares of stock on the market at the low price of \$50.00 per share. READ ON--

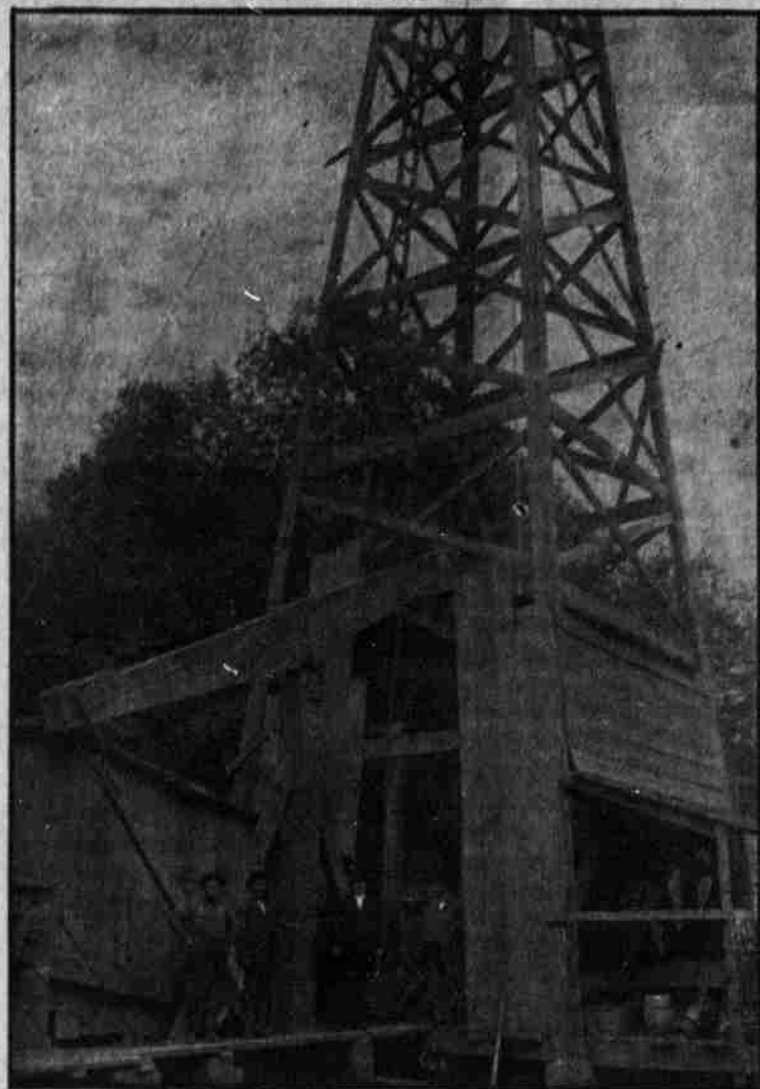
What the Company Is

The Pacific Coast Gas & Oil Co. is composed of reliable business men of Oregon and Washington whose only purpose is to develop the property to the best of its ability and produce a paying mine of oil and gas that all who have purchased stock may share in its profits. The officers serve without salary and include among them some of the most reputable citizens of the State. To make the company strong on account of its brilliant future it has secured leases on over 6000 acres of land. It has obtained the highest expert authority on the geological formation of the land, employed the strongest expert workmen to operate the drilling apparatus and given such other evidence of good faith to warrant any man making an investment with them.

Alex Sweek, president, Portland.
Clayton S. Barber, sec. and treas.
R. A. Wade, vice-president.
Directors—John Nelson, Onieda, Wash.; Geo. L. Hutchins, Portland; Wm. Anderson, Deep River, Wash.

The plant is now in constant operation. The drilling is being done under the supervision of two expert oil well operators. You can see them at work any day of the week at Onieda right opposite Astoria.

The picture opposite is a view of the derrick in actual operation.



If you have any doubt as to the stability of the company, or in the manner in which it is operating, before you make any investment visit the property any day and satisfy yourself. Oil and gas will be found in paying quantities. After the "strike" it will be too late to buy stock. Do it NOW.

Stock for Sale

For Development Purposes

The per value of the stock is \$100 per share, but is now offered at one-half (\$50) and it is worth it. The company has already sold a limited amount of stock, equipped the property with the best working machinery in the world and it has plans for a great future. The money secured from the sale of stock will be used to prepare for the best interest of the company. As the drill goes down the stock will surely rise. The price it is now offered at will only be a short time. A good rule is to let opportunity in when it knocks at the door. For an investment there is nothing more tangible, brighter or more sure dividend paying than this stock, particularly at \$50 per share. Don't wait until it goes to par, but buy now. It is really a chance that comes seldom. Further particulars at the addresses given below.

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PLAN OBIVIATES CONFUSION

The War Department Will be Able to Put 250,000 Men in the Field Almost Immediately Under New Conditions.

NEW YORK, June 23.—The War Department has perfected a plan for the virtual amalgamation into a trained army of 250,000 men ready to answer the call of the President, of all the regular and National Guard troops in the United States. Assistant Secretary of War Oliver, who is now at Pine Camp, witnessing the department of the East maneuvers, has given out this information:

Assistant Secretary Oliver, in outlining the plan for the reorganization of the National and State troops declared that the word militia men is now a misnomer and that the troops since the passage of the Dick Bill by Congress, the U. S. Volunteers.

The War Department plan means nothing more or less than the moment this country gets into trouble the so-called National Guard organizations will cease to exist as such and immediately units of the regular army absolutely under the control of the president and the secretary of war.

This scheme, said Gen Oliver, is the first move in the plan to put this country on a military basis. Before this we have had no authority over the state better than a militia and as guard organizations and what we propose to do is to organize these state troops and all the regular forces into eight army corps and the New England States, New York and other states in the military division.

The department of the East will constitute the First Army Corps organization. The maneuver grounds here on Pine Camp, if the government buys them, will be the place where the National and State troops that will be in the first army corps will have their field training. In other words, it means that two years hence 50,000 men will be mobilized on this plain.

"As at present planned the war Department will be able to put into the field almost immediately an army of 250,000 men. Part will be perfectly trained and the efficiency of the rest will be so increased that they will form a smooth working force.

"This new plan obviates all possibility of confusion in the event of a sudden call to arms. There will be no troops around the country in haphazard fashion and every regiment, state and regular will know exactly where it belongs and where it is to go. The plan will facilitate every feature of mobilization. It will be my duty to put this plan into operation but should the necessity arise my successor can carry on the work without the slightest interruption, so perfectly and so thoroughly worked out are the plans of the department.

"Prior to the passage of the Dick Law, the president of the U. S. had practically no power at all over the militia organization, but now, in view of the recent legislation, the militia-men enlist for real service and in the event of war his status is that of a regular and no re-enlistment on his part is necessary."

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Chicago's Hottest Day Finds Public Fountains Dry

FORGOT TO FIX THE PIPES

People Pant Through the Scorching Streets—Department Stores Give the Only Relief—Crowds Line up For Their Turn.

CHICAGO, June 23.—On the hottest day of the summer when thousands of persons were sweltering under the burning rays of the sun and the suffocating atmosphere in the canyon-like of towering skyscrapers not a public drinking fountain was to be found in operation in the heart of Chicago yesterday. Men, women and children panted

through the scorching thoroughfares, there were cafes, where fountains splashed gratefully, but in no place was water to be had free except in the big department stores. There the women and children crowded in rows. The Drake fountain at the City Hall was as dry as a bone. The bronze statue of Christopher Columbus glared in the burning heat. The four drinking basins were covered with the boards that had protected them all through the winter months.

At the Woman's Temple, the bronze figure of a child held out a cup invitingly but no water flowed. This is the fountain that in 1902, was given by the 300,000 children of the United States, each contributing ten cents, that the little children of Chicago might never go thirsty on a hot day. It was made by George Wade, a famous London sculptor.

Another fountain is just inside the North entrance of the Temple the basin is surmounted by a little bronze bay holding a trident but the figure guarded no precious water. The only explanation obtainable for the lack of water at the fountains was that the pipes had been neglected.